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In the Application of:)

Milton Yatvin)

Serial No.: 09/993,976)

Filing Date: November 5, 2001)

For: Covalent Conjugates of Biologically-Active)
Compounds with Amino Acids and Amino)
Acid Derivatives for Targeting to Physiologically)
Protected Sites)

Examiner: Jiang

Group Art Unit: 1617

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 - 1.99, the Applicant wishes to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56. Copies of the references cited below are enclosed. These references are also listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449.

In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102 or Section 103.

Applicants do not believe any fee is due with this submission. If this belief be in error and the Patent Office determines that the fee prescribed in the relevant portion of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 is applicable, the undersigned representative by his signature hereby authorizes any such fee to be debited from Deposit Account 13-2490.

Date: June 4, 2003

Respectfully submitted,
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Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a) Information Disclosure Statement;
- b) PTO Form 1449 and cited references
- c) Return postcard

2. With respect to fees:

- a) No fees are required
- b) Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment our Deposit Account, No. 13-2490.

3. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage Express Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313 on this 4th day of June 2003.

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